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II. Copies of Listed References

Copies of all references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are being supplied.

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III. Concise Statement of Relevance

All references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 were cited in the specification, or in the International Search Report, and a copy of that search report, which indicates the degree of relevance found by the International Search Authority, is attached.

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this application is respectfully requested.

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